



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Goddard, et al. Docket No.: 39780-2730P1C11
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NUCLEIC ACIDS ENCODING THE SAME**
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MS: RCE
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This Preliminary amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 for the above identified application. A Notice of Appeal was filed in this case on January 12, 2005; since June 12, 2005 was a Sunday, this response is timely filed with a Petition for Extension of time for three months with necessary fees. Entry of this amendment and consideration of the following arguments is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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